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Letter dated 6 August 2018 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to enclose herewith a comment of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine on a visit by President of the Russian Federation Vladimir Putin to the temporarily occupied territory of Ukraine-Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol on 4 August 2018 that was not coordinated with Ukraine (see annex).

I would appreciate your kind assistance in having the present letter and its annex distributed as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 34 (a), and of the Security Council.

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Comment of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine on a visit of President of the Russian Federation Vladimir Putin to the temporarily occupied territory of Ukraine-Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol on 4 August 2018 that was not coordinated with Ukraine

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine expresses its protest against Russian President Vladimir Putin's visit on August 4 to the territory of Ukraine temporarily occupied by the Russian Federation, namely to the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol, which has not been coordinated with Ukraine.

Ukraine considers this and other so-called "visits" by Russian officials to the temporarily occupied Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol, Ukraine as a flagrant violation of state sovereignty and territorial integrity of Ukraine, cynical and demonstrative neglect by the Russian Side of universally recognized norms and principles of the international law, obligations under bilateral and multilateral treaties to which the Russian Federation and Ukraine are parties, including the UN Charter, the UN General Assembly Resolutions A/RES/68/262 of 27 March 2014 "Territorial integrity of Ukraine", A/RES/71/205 of 19 December 2016 "Situation of human rights in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol (Ukraine)", A/RES/72/190 of 19 December 2017 "Situation of human rights in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol, Ukraine".

The Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol are integral part of the territory Ukraine in its internationally recognized borders. It is recognized by the whole international community, which repeatedly made its proper assessment of internationally illegal actions of the Russian Federation by adopting relevant resolutions of the UN, Council of Europe, OSCE and other international organizations as well as imposing sanctions against the occupying State.